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TO AMEMBASSY DUBLIN IMMEDIATE

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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR, PINT, EI

SUBJECT: DEATH OF FORMER IRISH PRIME MINISTER COSTELLO

REF: DUBLIN 0026

1. PLEASE DELIVER FOLLOWING TO PRIME MINISTER COSGRAVE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. QUOTE: DEAR MR. PRIME MINISTER: ON BEHALF OF THE AMERICAN PEOPLE, MRS. FORD AND I EXTEND TO YOU AND TO THE PEOPLE OF IRELAND OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHY ON THE DEATH OF FORMER PRIME MINISTER JOHN A. COSTELLO. AMERICANS KNEW HIM AS A MAN OF PEACE, AS A STATESMAN, AND AS A MAN DEDICATED TO THE RULE OF LAW. WE WILL ALWAYS REMEMBER HIM FOR HIS DEVOTION TO THOSE PRINCIPLES WHICH IRELAND AND THE UNITED STATES BOTH HOLD DEAR. SINCERELY, GERALD R. FORD. UNQUOTE.

2. WHITE HOUSE DOES NOT RPT NOT PLAN RELEASE BUT HAS NO RPT NO OBJECTION TO RELEASE BY RECIPIENT. KISSINGER

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